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Memphis, TN- Terrell L. Harris, the United States Attorney for the Western District of Tennessee, announced today that on February 8, 2002, William Earl Malone, a Memphis resident, was sentenced by United States District Judge James Carr to sixteen months of confinement following his plea of guilty to one count of making a false declaration while testifying under oath before a federal grand jury. Judge Carr ordered Malone to serve the first eight months of his sentence of confinement in prison and the second eight months in house arrest. Upon being released from prison, Malone will be required to serve a three year term of supervised release during which time his activities will be subject to monitoring by the United States Probation Office. Judge Carr imposed the maximum sentence under the federal sentencing guidelines.

In May of 2001, Malone was charged in a four count indictment with making false declarations while testifying before a federal grand jury in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1623. According to Count 4 of the indictment, the count to which Malone

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pleaded guilty, the grand jury Malone testified before was investigating the disclosure of a sealed court order.

The case was investigated by Special Agent Jo Anne Overall of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Memphis office and by Special Agent John Rankin of the Memphis office of the Internal Revenue Service's Criminal Investigation Division. The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Joe Murphy.

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